

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
TAMPA DIVISION

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

CASE NO. 8:03-CR-77-T-30TBM

SAMI AMIN AL-ARIAN,
SAMEEH HAMMOUDEH,
HATIM NAJI FARIZ,

Defendants.

ORDER

After their arrest on February 20, 2003, these Defendants appeared before me to answer to the indictment. When the government moved to detain each Defendant, all moved for a brief continuance, one within the five-day period allotted by the Bail Reform Act. *See* 18 U.S.C. § 3142(f)(2). Accordingly, this Court scheduled the hearing for February 25, 2003. On that date, all the Defendants moved for more time – at least three extra weeks to prepare. All the Defendants showed "good cause" for the continuance as required by § 3142(f)(2) based upon the complexity of the case (the indictment charges 50 counts and is 121 pages long), the need to put together a strong bail presentation, and the desire to solidify their counsel's representation for the hearing.¹ Therefore, the Court set the detention hearing for March 24, 2003, at 9:00 a.m. Yesterday, however, government counsel advised he is scheduled to testify in a federal proceeding in the Northern District of Florida on that date. Accordingly, it is

¹ This "good cause" showing for a continuance of the detention hearing also serves the "ends of justice" requirements for a continuance under 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8).

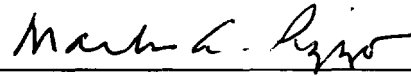
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ORDERED:

1. The detention hearing in this case previously set for March 24, 2003, is cancelled.

2. The detention hearing in this case is rescheduled for March 20, 2003, at 9:00 a.m., in Courtroom 11B, Sam M. Gibbons United States Courthouse, Tampa, Florida 33602. The United States Marshal shall produce the Defendants for said hearing.

DONE AND ORDERED at Tampa, Florida on March 4, 2003.



MARK A. PIZZO
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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